

House Resolution 1086

By: Representatives Mosley of the 178th, Lane of the 167th, Smith of the 168th, Loudermilk of the 14th, and Sheldon of the 105th

A RESOLUTION

1 Creating the House Performance Enhancing Drugs in Athletics Study Committee; and for
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the grossly overemphasized importance of high school athletics in this state has
4 created tremendous pressure on school administrators, coaches and, especially, on student
5 athletes to perform on the playing field or court; and

6 WHEREAS, this obsession has changed what should be an enjoyable youthful activity into
7 a win-at-all-costs gladiatorial contest; and

8 WHEREAS, some student athletes, sadly, supported by some parents and coaches, have
9 opted to use harmful, illegal, and unsportsmanlike performance enhancing drugs and
10 substances to get the last measure of performance out of their bodies, at great cost to their
11 current and future health; and

12 WHEREAS, this drug culture, supported by mindless sports mania and exacerbated by the
13 widespread use of such substances by revered professional sports figures, threatens the
14 physical and moral future of our state's youth.

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
16 there is created the House Performance Enhancing Drugs in Athletics Study Committee to
17 be composed of three members of the House of Representatives to be appointed by the
18 Speaker of the House of Representatives. The Speaker shall designate a member of the
19 committee as chairperson of the committee. The chairperson shall call all meetings of the
20 committee.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall undertake a study of the conditions,
22 needs, issues, and problems mentioned above or related thereto and recommend any actions

1 or legislation which the committee deems necessary or appropriate. The committee may
2 conduct such meetings at such places and at such times as it may deem necessary or
3 convenient to enable it to exercise fully and effectively its powers, perform its duties, and
4 accomplish the objectives and purposes of this resolution. The members of the committee
5 shall receive the allowances authorized for legislative members of interim legislative
6 committees but shall receive the same for not more than five days unless additional days are
7 authorized. The funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come
8 from the funds appropriated to the House of Representatives. In the event the committee
9 makes a report of its findings and recommendations, with suggestions for proposed
10 legislation, if any, such report shall be made on or before December 31, 2006. The
11 committee shall stand abolished on December 31, 2006.